



## Humboldt Bay Fire News Release

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10/27/2021

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**Subject :** Boat Fire w/ Multiple Injuries, 1 Marina Way, Eureka., Ca.

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On 10/26/2021 @ 2327hrs Humboldt Bay Fire responded to a Boat Fire/Explosion w/ multiple injuries @ #1 Marina Way at the Eureka Public Marina. 1 Battalion Chief, 1 Truck and 3 Engines responded. The first arriving unit reported a fully involved boat at the marina. 2 burn victims with serious injuries were also located at the entrance to the marina and were treated by HBF Paramedics and transported to SJH by City Ambulance.

Firefighters extended a hose line along the docks to the fully involved boat and began to extinguish the fire. Multiple small explosions on the boat were also observed while the fire was being extinguished. A 2<sup>nd</sup> alarm was requested and notifications for a potential Hazardous Materials release into Humboldt Bay were made to the US Coast Guard, Humboldt County Environmental Health, City of Eureka Public Works and California Department of Fish & Game.

The fire was controlled in 30 minutes and Firefighters remained on scene for approx. 3 hours to completely extinguish the fire and no other boats in the Marina were damaged. The boat was a 30ft sailboat and is a complete loss. Damage is estimated at \$50,000 and there were a total of 3 civilian injuries. All 3 injuries were burn injuries: the 2 treated on scene and transported to SJH and another serious burn injury that was transported to SJH prior to Humboldt Bay Fires' arrival. All 3 victims are being transferred to out of the area hospitals for treatment of their injuries. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

In cooperation with the US Coast Guard, Humboldt County Environmental Health and the City of Eureka Public Works a floating boom was laid around the boat and there was

no serious release of Hazardous Materials into Humboldt Bay.

Humboldt Bay Fire would like to thank the following agencies for their cooperation and assistance: US Coast Guard, Humboldt County Environmental Health, City of Eureka Public Works, City Ambulance, Eureka Police Department, St. Joseph Hospital, Samoa-Peninsula Fire District, Arcata Fire District and the Fortuna Fire District.

This was the second fire related incident that Humboldt Bay Fire responded to in less than 12 hours that resulted in multiple fire-related injuries that required hospitalization.